

June 27, 2022

The Honorable Frank Pallone
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House Energy and Commerce Committee
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Ranking Member
House Energy and Commerce Committee
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The Honorable Paul Tonko
Chairman
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The Honorable David McKinley
Ranking Member
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Dear Chairman Pallone, Ranking Member McMorris Rodgers, Chairman Tonko and Ranking Member McKinley:

Thank you for holding a hearing to examine our nation's current recycling system and to discuss H.R. 8059, the Recycling and Composting Accountability Act of 2022, and H.R. 8183, the Recycling Infrastructure and Accessibility Act of 2022. Novelis supports both bills and encourages the Committee to advance policies that increase recycling rates, especially for used aluminum beverage cans, which are a key input for new can production during this period of record demand for sustainable beverage packaging.

Novelis is the largest, most technologically advanced aluminum recycler in the world. We have R&D, recycling and manufacturing operations in 12 states, including New Jersey, Washington, New York and West Virginia. Our company recycles and rolls aluminum for customers who manufacture passenger and commercial vehicles, airplanes, beverage cans, buildings and many other sustainable products.

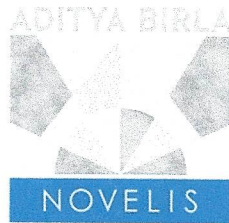
Novelis is committed achieve a 30% reduction in our CO2 footprint by 2026 and carbon neutrality by 2050. The best way for us to meet these commitments is through recycling. H.R. 8059 will help improve reporting on recycling rates, materials and programs; this will help us better understand the gaps and potential solutions for recycling across the U.S. The data available today is insufficient and inconsistent.

Further, we cannot continue to ignore that only half of Americans have equitable access to curbside recycling and that curbside recycling is often not a convenient or realistic option for many rural communities. We are pleased that H.R. 8183 will focus on underserved communities and believe it will help increase recycling in rural areas by providing federal grants to state and local municipalities so they can serve more households.

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Overall, we believe H.R. 8059 and H.R. 8183 are steps in the right direction to enable more informed decision making on recycling programs. Thank you for your leadership. Novelis looks forward to working with you and your staff as these bills moves through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

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